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~~STATEMENT BY GENERAL VERNON WALTERS~~ *Speaks in Atlanta*

SUE O'BRIEN: The Washington Post says the CIA encouraged a plot to keep Marxist Salvador Allende from becoming President of Chile, but that the scheme backfired.

The Post says the plot called for the kidnapping of Chilean Army Commander Rene Schnieder, but the attempt failed when Schnieder was fatally shot. The Post says the idea was to provoke the military into taking control of Chile.

In Atlanta, the Deputy Director of the CIA, meanwhile, says it's okay with him if Congress oversees the intelligence agency.

General Vernon Walters says the CIA should operate under certain ground rules, but he says Congress should stop changing the rules.

GENERAL VERNON WALTERS: Whatever guidelines the Congress gives us that they want us to abide by, we hope they will provide for some mechanism so if somebody in an investigation in 1990 doesn't say, "What were those horrible things you were doing or not doing back in 1975?"

O'BRIEN: Deputy Director Walters was speaking to the Rotary Club on that Atlanta visit.

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